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**To:** Dabbs, Paul  
**Cc:** Sims, Susan; Beutler, Lisa  
**Subject:** RE: Water Plan Update 2005 Highlights Document

Paul,  
Thank you for providing the opportunity to comment on the Highlights document.

I have read it through & have made comments on the text. In addition, I typed an outline of the document in a WORD file so I could see the flow & also to remark on titles & provide a bit of editing (see attached file). Black entries are from the text; blue entries are my thoughts; red entries refer to edits.

I will send the text with comments to you by mail.

Best regards,  
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## CA Water Plan Highlights

### Director's Message

#### California Water Today

California Water Balance

(Layout heading – top right of each odd number page: A Framework for Action, also used in text on p 13, “The Framework for Action”)

Put discussion of this in the text – at least a sentence.

#### California Water 2030

2030 Water Demand Changes by Scenario

What will our future look like?

Changes by Sector

Changes, Including GW Overdraft

Scenarios

#### The Roadmap to 2030 (Vision, Initiatives, Actions)

Actions to Ensure Sustainability

Initiatives to Ensure Reliability (includes actions, p 9 – move to actions section, or format as Essential Support Activities on p 13)

No reference of Vision (**must be included here**)

Also the flow in life is usually from Vision to Initiative to Action. I think it would be good to lay out this Roadmap in that direction.

#### Initiative 1

Foster Regional Partnerships

Develop & Implement Integrated Regional Water Management Plans

Diversify Regional Water Portfolios

Essential Support Activities

#### Investing in the Right Choices

To me, Right Choices sounds like an argument waiting to happen; I think this would be better titled: Investing in the Future

Also -- make explicit in the text that this is about the 25 strategies)

Improve water quality

Practice resource stewardship

Improve operational efficiency & transfers

Reduce water demand

Increase water supply

#### Initiative 2

Maintain Aging Facilities (should be caps, I guess)

Implement the CALFED Program

Improve Flood Management

Sustain the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Levees

Include levees in this title – levees is the only topic discussed, so it would assist the reader, be she careful or casual, to have this be explicit.

#### Conclusion

Discusses actions, initiatives – no mention of **achieving the vision**, not even a reference to it -- NOT GOOD!

## Recommendations

Intro sentence: These recommendations... (Needs punctuation)

1 – As far as I know, water conservation and efficient water management are synonymous. I also made this comment in the text. If they are different, the distinction needs to be made explicit.

This bullet is very awkward. Punctuation appears to be missing, as I can't figure out what noun or string of nouns the author meant the adjectives reliable, high quality, sustainable and affordable to modify.

4 – I think California will also have to upgrade and not merely maintain these facilities as population and development grow. Not to acknowledge this in the recommendations is not helpful for the decision makers & others to whom these recommendations are addressed. Spell check indicates that decision maker should be two words (not one as used in the intro sentence). The version of the Webster dictionary I have has no listing for decision maker.

7 – Roles, etc., etc. are already defined & articulated. What is the intention here? This needs to be rewritten so that it says something new.

8 – Be explicit – I guess this means public investment at the state level.

12 – I guess this would include allocation of public funds. I'm not sure how this is different from Point 14. Maybe one is public trust (Point 12) & the other environmental justice (Point 14)? Some clarification here would help.